



Holy Trinity Geneva

Choral Evensong The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas) 18h00 Sunday 2nd February 2025



The Presentation of Christ in the Temple
Believers Eastern Church

Processional Hymn - HON 3 A man there lived in Galilee

We stand to sing

1 A man there lived in Galilee
like none who lived before,
for he alone from first to last
our flesh unsullied wore;
a perfect life of perfect deeds
once to the world was shown,
that people all might mark his steps
and in them plant their own.

2 A man there died on Calvary
above all others brave;
the human race he saved and blessed,
himself he scorned to save.
No thought can gauge the weight of woe
on him, the sinless, laid;
we only know that with his blood
our ransom price was paid.

3 A man there reigns in glory now,
divine, yet human still;
that human which is all divine
death sought in vain to kill.
All pow'r is his; supreme he rules
the realms of time and space;
yet still our human cares and needs
find in his heart a place.

*Tyrol
Tyrolean melody
Arr. R Lloyd*

Welcome

A sentence of scripture

'The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' (John 2.18-19)

Preces - Ayleward

O Lord, open thou our lips
And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise
O God, make speed to save us
O Lord, make haste to help us

Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be: world without end.
Amen.

Praise ye the Lord
The Lord's Name be praised.

PSALMS 122 AND 132

We remain standing to sing

PSALM 122

I was glad when they said ' unto ' me : We will ' go into the ' house
of the ' Lord.

2 Our ' feet shall ' stand ' in thy ' gates : ' O Je'rusalem.

3 Jerusalem is ' built as a ' city : that is at ' unity ' in it'self.

4 For thither the tribes go up, even the ' tribes of the ' Lord : to
testify unto Israel, to give thanks ' unto the ' Name of the ' Lord.

5 For there is the ' seat of ' judgement : even the ' seat of the ' house
of ' David.

6 O pray for the ' peace of Je'rusalem : they shall ' prosper that ' love
thee.

7 Peace be with'in thy ' walls : and ' plenteousness with'in thy ' palaces.

8 For my brethren and com'panions' ' sakes : I will ' wish ' thee
pros'perity.

9 Yea because of the house of the ' Lord our ' God : I will ' seek to
' do thee ' good.

Glory be to the Father and' to the' Son : and' to the' Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and' ever' shall be : world without'
end. A'men.

PSALM 132

Lord, re'member ' David : and ' all ' his ' trouble;

² How he sware ' unto the ' Lord : and vowed a vow unto the
Al'mighty ' God of ' Jacob;

³ I will not come within the tabernacle ' of mine ' house : nor ' climb
up ' into my ' bed;

⁴ I will not suffer mine eyes to sleep, nor mine ' eye-lids to ' slumber
:

neither the temples of my ' head to ' take any ' rest;

⁵ Until I find out a place for the ' temple of the ' Lord : an
habitation for the ' mighty ' God of ' Jacob.

⁶ Lo, we heard of the ' same at ' Ephrata : and ' found it ' in the ' wood.

⁷ We will go ' into his ' tabernacle : and fall low on our ' knees
be'fore his ' footstool.

⁸ Arise, O Lord, ' into thy ' resting-place : thou, and the ' ark of ' thy ' strength.

⁹ Let thy priests be ' clothed with ' righteousness :
and let thy ' saints ' sing with ' joyfulness.

¹⁰ For thy servant ' David's ' sake : turn not away the ' presence of '
thine A'nointed.

¹¹ The Lord hath made a faithful ' oath unto ' David : and he ' shall
not ' shrink ' from it;

¹² Of the fruit ' of thy ' body : shall I ' set up'on thy ' seat.

¹³ If thy children will keep my covenant, and my testimonies that ' I
shall ' learn them : their children also shall sit upon thy ' seat for '
ever'more.

¹⁴ For the Lord hath chosen Sion to be an habitation ' for him'self :
he hath ' longed ' for ' her.

¹⁵ This shall be my ' rest for ' ever :
here will I dwell, for I ' have a de'light there'in.

¹⁶ I will bless her ' victuals with ' increase : and will ' satisfy her '
poor with ' bread.

¹⁷ I will deck her ' priests with ' health : and her ' saints shall
re'joice and ' sing.

¹⁸ There shall I make the horn of ' David to ' flourish : I have
ordained a ' lantern for ' mine A'nointed.

¹⁹ As for his enemies, I shall ' clothe them with ' shame : but upon
him'self shall his ' crown ' flourish.

**Glory be to the Father and' to the' Son : and' to the' Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and' ever' shall be : world without'
end. A'men.**

First Lesson

Haggai 2.1-9

We sit

The First Lesson is taken from the 2nd chapter of the prophet Haggai, beginning at the 1st verse:

In the second year of King Darius, in the seventh month, on the twenty-first day of the month, the word of the Lord came by the prophet Haggai, saying: Speak now to Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, and say, Who is left among you that saw this house in its former glory? How does it look to you now? Is it not in your sight as nothing? Yet now take courage, O Zerubbabel, says the Lord; take courage, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; take courage, all you people of the land, says the Lord; work, for I am with you, says the Lord of hosts, according to the promise that I made you when you came out of Egypt. My spirit abides among you; do not fear. For thus says the Lord of hosts: Once again, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land; and I will shake all the nations, so that the treasure of all nations shall come, and I will fill this house with splendour, says the Lord of hosts. The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the Lord of hosts. The latter splendour of this house shall be greater than the former, says the Lord of hosts; and in this place I will give prosperity, says the Lord of hosts.

Here endeth the First Lesson.

Magnificat

Set B

We stand to sing

My soul doth magnify the Lord:

and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold from henceforth:

all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me:

and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him:

throughout all generations.

He hath shew-ed strength with his arm:

he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat:
And hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath fill-ed the hungry with good things:
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy: hath holpen his servant Israel:
As he promised to our forefathers: Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen.

Second Lesson

John 2.18-22

We sit

The Second Lesson is taken from the Gospel according to St John, Chapter 2, beginning at the 18th verse:

The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Here endeth the Second Lesson.

Nunc Dimittis - Set B

We stand to sing

Lord now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace:
according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation:
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles:
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,

**Born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, dead, and buried:
He descended into hell;
The third day he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the Communion
of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body,
And the Life everlasting. Amen.**

Responses - Ayleward

The Lord be with you
And with thy spirit.

Let us pray,
We sit or kneel

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we
forgive them that trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us;
And grant us thy salvation.
O Lord, save the King;
And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;
And make thy chosen people joyful.
O Lord, save thy people;
And bless thine inheritance.
Give peace in our time, O Lord;
Because there is none other that fighteth for us,
but only thou, O God.
O God, make clean our hearts within us;
And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Collects

Let us pray,
Almighty and ever-living God,
we humbly beseech thy majesty,
that, as thy only-begotten Son
was this day presented in the Temple,
in substance of our flesh,
so we may be presented unto thee
with pure and clean hearts,
by thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both, our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that, by thee, we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Responses

The Lord be with you
And with thy spirit

Let us bless the Lord
Thanks be to God

May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace **and rise in glory. Amen.**

Anthem - Wood : O thou the central orb

O Thou, the central orb of righteous love,
Pure beam of the most High, eternal Light
Of this our wintry world, Thy radiance bright
Awakes new joy in faith, hope soars above.

Come, quickly come, and let thy glory shine,
Gilding our darksome heaven with rays Divine.

Thy saints with holy lustre round Thee move,
As stars about thy throne, set in the height
Of God's ordaining counsel, as Thy sight
Gives measured grace to each, Thy power to prove.

Let Thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin,
Our nature all shall feel eternal day
In fellowship with thee, transforming day
To souls erewhile unclean, now pure within. Amen.

C Wood (1866-1926)

H Ramsden Bramley (1833-1917)

Homily - Elizabeth Brown

Intercessions

We sit or kneel

The response

Lord, in your mercy


Hear our prayer


HYMN - NEH 44 Faithful vigil ended


We stand

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1 Faithful vigil ended,
Watching, waiting cease;
Master, grant thy servant
His discharge in peace.

2 All thy Spirit promised,
All the Father willed;
Now these eyes behold it
Perfectly fulfilled.

3 This thy great deliverance
Sets thy people free;
Christ, their light, uplifted
All the nations see.

4 Christ, thy people's glory!
Watching, doubting, cease:
Grant to us thy servants
Our discharge in peace.

Glenfinlas
K Finlay (1882-1974)
T Dudley-Smith (b. 1926)

The Blessing

The LORD bless you and keep you;
The LORD make His face shine upon you,
And be gracious to you;
The LORD lift up His countenance upon you,
And give you peace. **Amen.**

Music after the service

Prayer Requests

We pray for the sick who are known to us, and those caring for them, especially for Liz Kernen, Jonathan Bezzola, David Omumbwa, Sybil Sheppard, Chris Talbot, Joan Tye, Annemarie Hester, Louise Cellier, André Vivas, Timothy Creffield, Tianna Dagher, Edith Tanner, Livia Varju, Brenda Hand, Valerie Offord, Phil Thomas, Diana Mason, Robin Bailey, Judi Cianci, Ruth Wyler, Germain, Samuel Kalibala, Joyce McNulty, Trevor Thomas, Diana Dickinson, Denise Muhlethaler, Maya Mortimer, Rosabelle de Silva, Silvio -Morson, Anna Porraccin, Valerie Slessor, Frances Boo, Jenny Syrathev, George Thomasz, Lorensz Ranasinghe.

Pray for the Greek Orthodox Church and for the Archbishop of Canterbury's Apokrisiarios to the Archbishop of Athens and All Greece,

Ministry Team: Pray for: William Gulliford (DDO); our Director of Lay discipleship Clare Amos, Our Director of Reader Ministry Celia Paterson , for Jenni Pridmore and Geoff Read as they take on their new roles looking after our training for curates and ministerial development and our Ministry Team Assistant, Polly Freeman and those training for ordained ministry

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Sunday 2 February
2025

Organ Concert

at 16h

Anglican church in Geneva
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Free entrance - Donations welcome

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Special guest:
Rebeca Lopez Barrera - soprano

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SERVICES in FEBRUARY 2025

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| Sunday Candlemas | 2 Feb | 8.45h BCP Eucharist in Church 10h30 Ecumenical Candlemas Service at St Germain 18h Choral Evensong in Church |
| Wednesday | 5 Feb | 10h CW Eucharist Online |
| Thursday | 6 Feb | 10h BCP Eucharist in Church |
| Sunday | 9 Feb | 9h CW Eucharist in Church 10h30 CW Choral Eucharist in Church & Online 18h Compline in Church |
| Wednesday | 12 Feb | 10h BCP Eucharist Online |
| Thursday | 13 Feb | 10h BCP Eucharist in Church |
| Sunday | 16 Feb | 9h CW Eucharist in Church 10h30 CW Eucharist in Church & Online |
| Wednesday | 19 Feb | 10h CW Eucharist Online |
| Thursday | 20 Feb | 10h BCP Eucharist in Church |
| Sunday | 23 Feb | 9h CW Eucharist in Church 10h30 All Age CW Eucharist in Church & Online 18h Choral Evensong in Church |
| Wednesday | 26 Feb | BCP Eucharist Online |
| Thursday | 27 Feb | 10h BCP Eucharist in Church |